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| DESCRIPTION | FY 2003 | FY 2004 |
| | \$750 | \$770 |
| Basic filing fee - Utility | \$735 \$375 | \$385 |
| Basic filing fee - Utility (Small Entity) | \$84 | \$86 |
| Independent claims in excess of three | \$64 \$42 | \$43 |
| Independent claims in excess of three (Small Entity) | \$42 \$18 | \$43 \$18* |
| Claims in excess of twenty | \$16 \$ 9 | \$16 \$9* |
| Claims in excess of twenty (Small Entity) | \$280 | \$3 \$290 |
| Multiple dependent claim | \$260 \$140 | \$290 \$145 |
| Multiple dependent claim (Small Entity) | \$140 \$130 | \$145 \$130 |
| Surcharge - Late filing fee | \$130 \$65 | \$130 \$65 |
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| Design filing fee | - | \$340 \$470 |
| Design filing fee (Small Entity) | \$165 \$520 | \$170 \$520 |
| Plant filing fee | \$520 \$360 | \$530 \$365 |
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